



# NEWS RELEASE

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## **Blasting to Take Place on State Route 299 at Rocky Point**

**REDDING** – Roadside blasting will occur on State Route (SR) 299 at Rocky Point, two miles east of Weaverville in Trinity County, Tuesday, February 14, 2006 through Friday, February 17, 2006. The blasting will be conducted between Noon and 3 p.m. each day and will require intermittent road closures. Motorists can expect traffic controls and flaggers, along with delays of up to 20 minutes during detonation.

The \$3.7 million project is a joint project with Trinity County to add an eastbound and westbound passing lane to SR 299. The project is located approximately 2 miles east of Weaverville and construction will be in three locations along a 2.7-mile section of the roadway. The project is expected to continue as weather permits and be completed by the end of this summer. The contractor for the project is Steve Manning Construction of Redding. California Drilling and Blasting is doing the blasting work.

Highway Advisory Radio broadcasts on 1610 AM in the area of the construction site will advise motorists of the upcoming Cone Zone along with any information regarding delays.

Caltrans suggests checking the District 2 website for traveler information @ [www.dot.ca.gov/dist2](http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist2) before traveling SR 299. In addition to the blasting work at this location, there continues to be slide activity west of Burnt Ranch, which can cause delays as long as two hours.

Please remember to Slow for the Cone Zone.

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